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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

Sir:

This Response is being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination following the Advisory Action mailed by the Patent Office on September 18, 2002.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courteous telephone interview with Applicants' representative, Michael S. Leonard, on October 7, 2002. Please amend the patent application as set forth below:

In the Substitute Specification:

Please amend page 4, lines 13 and 14 of the Substitute Specification to read as follows:

Fig. 2 is a schematic view showing the FPC of the present invention and a method for fatigue test of the FPC of the present invention.

In the Drawings:

Please cancel the proposed Fig. 3 provisionally submitted with the Response to Office Action on September 10, 2002.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 5 without prejudice.